



The Committee for the Establishment of an Eruv
in Hendon and Golders Green

MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting
held on 21 November 1987 at 6 pm

Attendees: Brian Berenblut (Chairman)
Sylvain Blumenfrucht
Sidney Faber
Michael Gillis
David Schreiber
Jerry Shatzkes

Rabbi Kimche (from 7pm)

Apologies: Laurence Begner

The meeting started with Item 2 of the agenda.

2) Composition of Committee

It is clear that the Committee must have a wider representation than that from Ner Yisrael alone. The representation has been widened slightly by the inclusion of Sidney Faber from Bridge Lane but this is not sufficient. To achieve this within the framework of a single committee would be difficult as it would produce an unwieldy body incapable of decision-making. David Schreiber suggested that the present Committee should be turned into an Executive Committee of say a maximum of 10 and that another committee be set up which would consist of delegates from every community in the area. The Executive Committee would report to the General Committee at regular intervals.

This idea was accepted.

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3) Financial

David Schreiber and Jerry Shatzkes have the responsibility of finding ways of financing the construction of the Eruv. At present there are liabilities of some ~~f~~\$3,000 and it was agreed that the money should be collected by applying a charge on all of the local orthodox communities. David Schreiber, Jerry Shatzkes and Sidney Faber are to meet to compose a letter to go out to each community. In the letter they will cover a number of points:

- i) explanation of what we are about
- ii) invitation to the General Committee
- iii) note of the first meeting of the General Committee and its agenda (2nd week, January 1988)
- iv) notification of the charge to be put on the community
- v) request for a response.

The Eruv Committee has an immediate liability of \$3,000 to be paid to Rabbi S Eider and this to be met out of Ner Yisrael's funds. It was made clear that Ner Yisrael is only funding this money temporarily and that it must be replaced within one month.

4) Appointment of Solicitors

It was agreed that a solicitor should be appointed. A number of names were suggested. These include:

- i) Joseph Pearlman
- ii) Monty Frankell
- iii) Malcolm Wulwick
- iv) Moshe Adler (Tel: 458 2154)

If Joseph Pearlman is to be approached, it should be done through Rabbi Kimche. It was suggested that the solicitor should come from a community other than Ner Yisrael, therefore perhaps it might not be appropriate to call upon Malcolm Wulwick. This person would be appointed to the Executive Committee.

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5) Appointment of Accountants

It was agreed that an accountant should be appointed. Two suggestions were made:

- i) Noach Schwartz (455 7389, 11 Golders Manor Drive, NW11)
- ii) Gerald Creditor

Again the accountant being from another community would help to widen the representation on the Executive Committee.

6) Setting up of a Company

It was again agreed that it is too early to set up a company. Advice should be sought from the solicitor and accountant who will be appointed onto the Executive Committee.

7) Any other Business

Various points were raised including charitable status. No action on this point was taken.

On the subject of education, three names were raised, those of Bobby Hill, David Frei and Steve Greenman.

1) Report from Rabbi Alan Kimche on Prospectus and Meeting with Rabbonim

Rabbi Kimche arrived at 7pm and was given a brief synopsis of the meeting. Rabbi Kimche gave a brief outline of the current situation. Reb E Halpern has taken the welcome step of supporting the Eruv. It is understood that he has confirmed his support in a newsletter. Willie Stern told Rabbi Kimche that his Board would write to other members of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations telling them of Reb Halpern's support and asking them for their commitment to the project. Rabbi Kimche further went on to say that Rabbi Roberts had indicated indirectly that he wasn't necessarily against the concept of an Eruv but did not want to be pushed into making a decision too quickly.

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Actions:

- a) David Schreiber, Jerry Shatzkes and Sidney Faber to prepare the letter for circulation to the surrounding communities.
- b) Sylvain Blumenfrucht to prepare a number of copies of the prospectus.
- c) Brian Berenblut to approach solicitors and accountants with a view to election to the Eruv Committee.
- d) David Schreiber to contact Willie Stern for financial support.
- e) Michael Gillis to contact Geoffrey Greenhouse for advice on planning.
- g) Sidney Faber to keep accounts.